implementing agencies in Rs. 16.98 crores (Upto Dec., 1991) and the expenditure of the Central Silk Board unto 31.3.92 is estimated to be Rs. 45.32 crores. The assistance from the World Bank/ SDC is based on settlement of reimbursement claims filed by the implementing agencies from time to time.

- (d) The objectives envisaged under NSP are as under -
 - Expansion of mulberry area and introduction of sericulture in New States/area to develop 57,600 hect ares of additional mulberry plantation
 - 2 Increasing raw silk production in the country by 6000 metric tonnes
 - 3 Generating additional employment of one million persons in rural ar eas
 - 4 Improving the quality and productivity of Indian Silk
 - 5 Increasing export of silk products by Rs 5700 millions
 - 6 Strengthening the infrastructure form Research Extension Seed Production, processing, Quality Control and marketing of cocoons as well as raw silk
 - 7 providing financial support to reareas, reelers, twisters and seed produces
 - 8 Strengthening socially desirable features such as employment of women, use of smokeless chulihha and involvement of NSGs

Armament Factory in Private Sector

4908 SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state

- (a) whether there is any proposal to start armament factory in private sector or to handover any government-owned armament factory to this sector, and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR) (a) No. Sir

(b) Does not arise

Development of National Highways

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Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS PORT be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question Nos 245 and 247 on march 13, 1992 and state

- (a) the names of the road/State High ways for which the State Governments have recommended to give the status of national Highway, and
- (b) the names of the national Highways and nature of development work for which the State Government have submitted pro posals, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) (a) and (b) the requisite details are contained in the enclosed statements I and II